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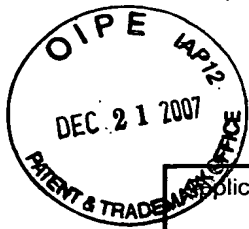
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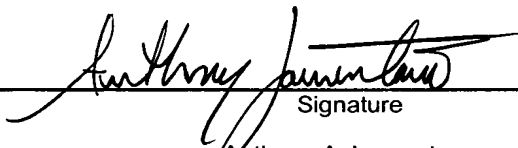
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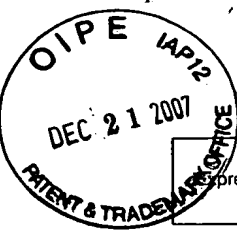
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**SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT (SIDS)**

Dear Sir:

In accordance with 37 CFR 1.97, Applicants hereby make of record the following additional documents. A PTO Form SB/08 and a full copy of each of the documents required under 37 CFR 1.98(a)(2) accompany this statement.

Applicants have become aware of the following documents, cited in a Japanese Office Action issued September 25, 2007, during the prosecution of Application No. 2003-385025, which corresponds to the above referenced application, and in accordance with 37 CFR 1.97(c) and (e)(1) or (b)(3), hereby submit these documents for the Examiner's consideration. These documents are cited on the enclosed PTO Form SB/08, and a copy of the Office Action and of each document required under 37 CFR 1.98(a)(2) cited thereon are enclosed as well.

Please note that Applicants' attorney does not include in this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement reference JP 2001-283879 (D1) cited in the corresponding Office Action. This reference was previously submitted in an Information Disclosure Statement to the U.S. Patent Office in this case on August 18, 2006.

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